



2010-2011 MID-YEAR EXAM ASSIGNMENT



On Friday, January 7th and Monday, January 10th you will take your mid-year exam in social studies. It is worth two test grades. The exam will cover information from the following sources:

1. Prehistory and Mesopotamia Test
2. Egypt Quiz
3. Asian River Valleys Test
4. Greece worksheets and homework



The exam will be a collection of multiple choice, matching, fill in the blank, and essay questions. ONLY information and topics that have been on previous **tests or quizzes** will be covered. To help you prepare for this exam, please complete the following assignment:

MAKE A “HELPER” TEST NOTE CARD

- You are to prepare one 3” x 5” notecard with information from any of the topics that will be covered on this test. You may write down any information that will be helpful to you on this test. You can’t fit everything we’ve studied, so write down things that tend to confuse you or that you tend to forget.
- This notecard **may be used** during the test.
- You may only write on one side, but you may write or type as small as you choose (no magnifying glasses allowed though!)
- You may NOT use someone else’s index card for the test.



***** This card is due (and will be graded as a homework assignment) the day of your test. *****

To make your life even **EASIER**, we are giving you the essay questions ahead of time! Use some of your study time to plan your response. This “gift” means we will expect a fluent essay with **SPECIFIC** facts.

- Out of all the inventions or achievements we have studied this year, **choose three you feel have had the greatest impact on the modern world.** In your answer, describe these inventions or achievements and explain why these contributions are important to people today.
- We have discussed a number of different individuals this year, such as Hammurabi, Hatshepsut, Raamsees II, Qin Shi Huangdi, Ashoka, Aristotle, Archimedes, among others. **Who do you feel was the most effective and/or had the biggest impact?** Provide three achievements of your chosen individual to support your answer. Be sure to explain how these achievements benefited their society or the world as a whole.
- We have learned about a number of religious philosophies this year: Mesopotamian, Egyptian, Hinduism, Taoism, Confucianism, Buddhism, and Greek. Select two religious philosophies and compare/contrast:
 - two **similar** beliefs or practices AND
 - two **different** beliefs or practices. Be specific.



You will take the multiple-choice and fill-in portion of your test on Friday, 1/7. You will write your essays on Monday, 1/10.